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Subject: National Tropical Cyclone Watch Warning Product (TCV)

Product Collaboration Tests

The National Hurricane Center (NHC), along with 27 National Weather Service (NWS) Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs) in Southern Region, and 11 NWS WFOs in Eastern Region, will commence with internal software and hardware testing of the new national TCV product collaboration process for the Atlantic basin on Monday, May 8th and continue daily through Thursday, May 11th, 2017.

Internal testing will begin at approximately 1400 GMT and terminate at 1800 GMT daily during scheduled test days. In the event of inclement weather, the week of May 22nd, 2017 has been reserved to serve as backup dates for any portion of the test that was delayed.

Internal TCV test products are not intended to be released externally through NWS dissemination and communication systems.

NHC and WFO internal software and hardware testing will continue periodically during the remainder of 2017. The new national TCV product for the Atlantic basin will contain a summary of NHC/WFO collaborated wind and/or storm surge watches and warnings, depicted by NWS-defined geographic zones.

NWS WFOs participating in the national TCV product collaboration tests are listed below by NWS Region:

NWS Southern Region

Atlanta, GA (FFC)
Austin-San Antonio, TX (EWX)
Birmingham, AL (BMX)
Brownsville, TX (BRO)
Corpus Christi, TX (CRP)
Fort Worth, TX (FWD)
Houston, TX (HGX)
Huntsville, AL (HUN)
Jackson, MS (JAN)

Jacksonville, FL (JAX) Key West, FL (KEY) Lake Charles, LA (LCH) Little Rock, AR (LZK) Melbourne, FL (MLB) Memphis, TN (MEG) Miami, FL (MFL) Midland, TX (MAF) Mobile, AL (MOB) Morristown, TN (MRX) Nashville, TN (OHX) New Orleans, LA (LIX) Oklahoma City, OK (OUN) San Juan, PR (SJU) San Angelo, TX (SJT) Shreveport, LA (SHV) Tallahassee, FL (TAE) Tampa Bay Area, FL (TBW) Tulsa, OK (TSA)

NWS Eastern Region

Albany, NW (ALY)
Boston, MA (BOX)
Caribou, ME (CAR)
Charleston, SC (CHS)
Gray/Portland, ME (GYX)
Mount Holly, NJ (PHI)
Newport/Morehead City, NC (MHX)
New York, NY (OKX)
Sterling, VA (LWX)
Wakefield, VA (AKQ)
Wilmington, NC (ILM)

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